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US Patent No. 4,479,459 was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application (International Search Report copy enclosed). The rest of the cited references were cited in prior applications: U.S. Application No. 10/097,762 filed on March 14, 2002, U.S. Application No. 10/698,164 filed on October 31, 2003.

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